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FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Rev. Arthur Ford suffered a heart attack at home in Miami on Jan. 3, 1971. The heart that responded so many times before beat wildly and could not be calmed. Rev. Arthur Ford graduated to spirit at 1:30 a.m., Jan. 4, 1971. An SFF founder and outstanding psychic, he provided a "bridge between science and religion and a bridge from blind faith to dynamic fact."

Beautiful Memorial Services in Miami were led by the Revs. T.N. Tiemeyer, Harlan Musser and Wm. V. Rauscher. Services were also held in Sarasota where Arthur was scheduled to speak and in Joliet, Illinois. Many area programs have also honored him.

Arthur Ford's work as pathfinder, frontiersman and pace-setter will continue to guide thousands of new seekers for spiritual awareness through the members and friends of SFF.

Arthur's contribution to me was: Everyone has psychic and healing ability - you can develop your own spiritual awareness - spread your faith and knowledge in your own church or fellowship - learn how to overcome a rebuff - give of yourself- DO IT.

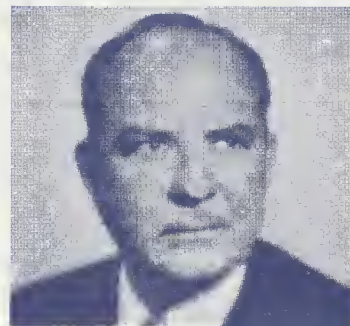
"With his gift he 'shook me' and transformed my life." - Dr. M. Edmund Speare.

We know that he is not far away.

Yours in fellowship,

Robert D. Ericsson

In Memoriam THE REV. ARTHUR FORD



The one and only Arthur Ford has moved into the Greater World. He who for so many years brought such convincing evidence to so many people concerning life after death has himself stepped over to the Other Side. On the early morning of January 4 his body died, and his spirit went on.

For more than fifty years Arthur Ford was one of the great mediums of the world. Internationally recognized for his spiritual gifts, this Disciples of Christ minister became especially prominent in England in the 1920's when he was a friend of Sir Oliver Lodge and Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.

From the time of my first sitting with Arthur Ford eighteen years ago I was impressed by the remarkable veridical quality of his mediumship. In the early 1950's we discussed the possibility of forming a group of churchmen to help deepen the interest in frontiers of the Spirit. By early 1956 a meeting had been called for this purpose at the Hyde Park Methodist Church in Chicago, where I was Pastor, and Spiritual Frontiers Fellowship was formed. Through all of the subsequent years Arthur's great love was Spiritual Frontiers!
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NEWS NOTES

- Charlotte - Feb. 18 SFF Council Meeting, Barringer Hotel; Feb. 19 Area members "Meet the Council," Rev. Wm. V. Rauscher, South Park Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- Greenville, SC - Feb. 18 Rev. Wm. V. Rauscher "Psychic Aspects of Prayer." Carolina Federal Building, 7:30 p.m.
- Atlanta - Members contributed \$100 to the Arthur Ford Memorial Fund. Feb. 19 Ambrose and Olga Worrall "Unconventional Healing" Druid Hills Methodist Church, 8 p.m.
- Birmingham-Huntsville - For group information, J. Houston, 221 Rosewood Birmingham 592-6187.
- Washington, D.C. - Feb. 19 Rev. Howard R. Carey "Release From Spirit Obsession" Immanuel Presbyterian, McLean, Virginia.
- Baltimore - Coming in May, Douglas Johnson, Psychic from London.
- New Jersey - March 6 Rev. Wm. V. Rauscher "The Healer-Katherine Kuhlman" St. Mary's in Haddon Hgts.
- Philadelphia-South Jersey - Feb. 16 "The Healing Arts;" March 9 "Patterns of Prophecy" by Alan Vaughan of Psychic magazine, Arch Street Methodist Church, 8 p.m.
- North Jersey - For information on activities contact newly elected area chairmen, Mr. and Mrs. C. Painter, 21 Dartmouth Road, Cranford, N. J.
- Reading - Feb. 19 Dr. Herbert Puryear "Reincarnation and the Church" Calvary Church, 8 p.m.; Feb. 20 Meditation, 9 a.m.
- Harrisburg - Coming in May, Douglas Johnson, Psychic from London.

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NEWS NOTES

- New York - March 28 Memorial Service "Arthur Ford-The Enigma of Our Generation" and "Eileen Garrett-Prophet of Awareness."
- Cincinnati - For information on activities, A. Nichols, 8 Russell Dr. Hebron, Kentucky 41048.
- Kentucky - for information on activities, Dr. R.D. Felty, General Delivery, Vine Grove, Kentucky 40175.
- Chicago - Feb. 16 Rev. C. Leslie Palmer of San Diego "Paranormal and the Bible" Bethany Methodist Church - Albany at Byron, 7:30 p.m.; New groups forming - call D. Wright 935-5940.
- Joliet - Memorial Service for Arthur Ford held Jan. 24, address by Mrs. Margueritte Harmon Bro. Rev. Paul L. Higgins is giving two lecture series on "Gifts of the Spirit" Richards Street Methodist Church.
- St. Louis - March 14, Rev. Alex Holmes, Chairman of SFF's Research Sub-Committee on Spiritual Healing.
- Des Moines - Feb. 19-20 Elsie Sechrist "Dream Interpretation" Ankeny Methodist Church.
- Kansas City - March 15-17 Ambrose and Olga Worrall "Healing Seminar" Christ Church Unity, 1000 E. Barry Rd. Kansas City North.
- Phoenix-Tempe-Sun City - Feb. 17 Brother Mandus from England "Healing - Psychical and Spiritual" Ankeny Methodist Church, call 263-5394 for group information.
- California-Santa Clara County - Feb. 26-28 Seminar "New Dimensions of the Spirit" call D. Allen, (408) 354-7488.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE SPEAKER

Sebastian Temple, May 13-15, 1971, in Chicago. A recording artist and student of anthropology, evolution and Yoga cosmology in India, he illustrates Pierre Teilhard de Chardin's Phenomenon of Man with drawings, poetry and song. Lecture and Workshop. Limited seating. Conference program and registration form will be mailed in February.



TWO NATIONAL RETREATS

The Conference on "Prayer and Meditation" at Carleton College will be led by William R. Parker, Ph.D., co-author of the best selling book, Prayer Can Change Your Life; Dr. Marcus Bach, author of The Inner Ecstasy, will lecture on "The Anatomy of Prayer;" and Rev. Alex Holmes, renowned healer will lecture on "Meditation" and lead a Healing Service. Mrs. Elizabeth C. Allen, well known medium and graduate of Carleton College will lecture on "Experiencing the Spiritual" and Mrs. Grace Brame, concert singer and group leader will lead "Meditation in Music." Group discussions, private readings. July 5-9, Northfield, Minnesota. Registration, room and board \$80.00.

The Conference on "Spiritual Awareness," July 18-23 will be held at Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. See program in next Newsletter. Registration, room and board \$80.00. Teenagers in 12th grade and under \$40.00.

CORRECTIONS

Rev. Ralph Henard, First Methodist Church, Boulder, Colorado, was host pastor to the Ambrose and Olga Worrall "Healing Workshop" and the 1,000 persons in attendance. Congratulations on this outstanding program with the Methodist Commission on Spiritual Life.

Free copies of the October Psychic magazine that contains Rev. Arthur Ford's "Interview" and articles by Rev. Wm. Rauscher and Diane Pike are available to SFF members who are new subscribers of Psychic (not who are new SFF members).

DOLLAR A MONTH

Helen Bierstein started it. "Can't I just Pledge A Dollar A Month and mail it when I pay my bills?" she asked. She did and then others have already started sending in their monthly dollar after she tells them, "Just think, if even one thousand members pledged a dollar a month it would mean at least \$12,000. She prays for SFF too. Thank you, Helen. Your idea has already spread from Pennsylvania to Minnesota!

LIFE MEMBER



Welcome, Mrs. Denton E. Hall. Holding a Masters Degree in Education from Butler University, Mrs. Hall taught deaf children for five years. Now she leads an SFF study group in meditation and spiritual healing in her

Lutheran Church. In Indiana, she is interested in helping small groups get started.

ESP AND THE POST OFFICE

A package of eight books for our library was delivered with no address or return address - only a post mark San Jose, Cal. Yet the package arrived!

Youth Assembly - Teenagers-students write for special program at the Annual Conference - led by Dave and Rosie McKnight.

In Memoriam (continued)

He spoke at all of our national conferences, except once when he was ill, and at seminars and meetings throughout the land, in a spirit of true dedication. His books, Nothing So Strange (with Margueritte Harmon Bro) and Unknown But Known, have reached countless thousands with the good news of individual continuity of life after death. Above all, his sittings have been most effective in giving persons firsthand contact with the Other Side. He kept the Biblical faith and diligently and honestly put the gift of discerning the spirits to a rightful Christian use.

Arthur Ford's work in this world was a faithful and courageous witness to the essence of the Christian Gospel, that of life eternal. Now he has crossed the line, and the trumpets sound for him on the Other Side!

-Paul L. Higgins

ARTHUR FORD'S TARGET FOR PRAYER

Arthur Ford's hope was that SFF groups and members throughout the country would pray for Arabs and Jews and for Peace In Jerusalem for one year. Let's do it! Mrs. Margueritte Harmon Bro reported this and many other personal incidents about Arthur Ford in her talk at the Memorial Service

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in Joliet, Ill. Did you know that Arthur Ford walked the entire Peace March in Washington, D. C. as his testimony that church members should be involved?

TESTIMONIALS

A special Arthur Ford testimonial issue of the Journal is under consideration. Members and friends who wish to send articles or testimonials may send them to Rev. Wm. Rauscher, 62 Delaware Street, Woodbury, N. J.

Transcripts or copies of Arthur Ford's lectures and readings on tape are requested for SFF's library and Research Committee. Tapes mailed in can be duplicated and returned.

The Arthur Ford Memorial Fund was initiated by his good friend, Dr. Berthold Eric Schwarz and in a warm remembrance from Mrs. Sherwood Eddy. The fund will be used to continue Arthur's favorite projects - lectures at seminaries and colleges, seminars for clergy and new learning materials.

Kathleen Rice wrote, "I was terribly distressed...He worked so hard in SFF's behalf, and I hope everyone interested in the movement will redouble his efforts to keep it going.

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